The title, specification, and claims have been amended in order to improve their form for U.S. patent practice.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that a certified copy of the Korean application required under 35 USC § 119 was not received by the PTO. However, Applicants note that the certified copy has been filed on April 13, 1994. Nonetheless, in case the filed certified copy was misplaced by the PTO, Applicants will resubmit a certified copy of the Korean application upon its availability.

The Examiner has required that Figs. 4-6 be labeled "prior art". However, Applicants respectfully point out that the specification provides detailed description of the invention in conjunction with Figs. 4-6, as set forth on page 15, lines 19-22 of the specification. Accordingly, it is believed that such labeling is inappropriate, and Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the requirement.

The drawings have been objected to because Fig. 7 needs to show the signal "V-29" being input to the recording formatter 3A. Accordingly, the drawings have been amended in a separately filed Letter to the Official Draftsperson with changes indicated in red ink, to overcome the objection. No new matter has been entered in the drawing changes and approval by the Examiner is respectfully requested. Corrected formal drawings will be submitted upon approval by the Examiner and subsequent indication of allowance of the present application.

The specification has been amended to clarify the embodied invention. The specification as amended on page 17 clarifies that the write enable signal is enabled when the detected number of frames equals an interval number at which I-frames are present. Accordingly, claim 3 has been amended to clarify the language.

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Claims 1-8 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants have amended the claims, fully addressing all of the Examiner's concerns raised in the Office Action. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-8 as amended are now in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, and respectfully urge the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection.

Claims 9-23 are directed to an apparatus for controlling recording and/or reproducing in a video cassette tape recorder in accordance with the embodiments of the invention. Claims 24-28 define methods of controlling recording and/or reproducing in a video cassette tape recorder in accordance with the embodied invention.

For the foregoing reasons and in view of the above amendments, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the objections and the rejection, and issuance of a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

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In the event that there are any outstanding matters remaining in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Joseph A. Kolasch, Esq. (Registration No. 22,463) at (703) 205-8000, in the Washington, D.C. area, in order to discuss these matters.

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